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Sustainability Committee

Margarita Kruff, Member – Appointed by Mayor Dan Gelber
Michael DeFilippi, Member – Appointed by Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
No appointment, Member – Appointed by Commissioner Mark Samuelian
No appointment, Member – Appointed by Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez
Jason Koslowe, Member – Appointed by Commissioner Stephen Meiner
Mike Gibaldi, Member – Appointed by Commissioner Ricky Arriola
Sarah Kott, Member – Appointed by Commissioner David Richardson

DATE: January 27, 2022

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Sustainability Committee

A meeting of the Sustainability Committee was scheduled for January 27, 2022 at 3:00 pm. The meeting was held through Zoom.

Attendees were as follows: Margarita Kruff, Mike Gibaldi, Sara Kott, Jason Koslowe

Absent: Michael DeFilippi

City Staff: Yanira Pineda, Sustainability Manager; Alyssia Berthoumieux, Senior Sustainability Coordinator.

Members of the public were also in attendance.

MINUTES

1. Committee Responsibilities

- a. **Introductions** – The Sustainability Committee members and city staff introduced themselves.
- b. **Chair/Vice Chair Vote – MOTION:** Motion to elect Margarita Kruff as the Chair of the Sustainability Committee. Motion made by Mike Gibaldi, seconded by Sara Kott. **MOTION:** Motion to elect Mike Gibaldi as the Vice Chair of the Sustainability Committee. Motion made by Margarita Kruff, seconded by Sara Kott.
- c. **2022 Topic Selection** – The topic selection activity was introduced by Yanira Pineda, Sustainability Manager. Sustainability Committee members listed their topic suggestions on Padlet and then scored each of the topic ideas on a scale of 1 to 5.
- d. **Review of the November 18, 2021 Minutes – MOTION:** Motion to approve November 18, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion made by Mike Gibaldi, seconded by Sara Kott.

2. Sustainability Committee Work Plan

a. New Business

- i. **Net-metering** – Ms. Pineda, presented the item. The committee and members of the public discussed the proposed State net-metering bills, HB 741 and SB 1024, and their potential impacts on solar energy in the state. **MOTION:** The Sustainability Committee urges the Mayor, City Commission, and administration to direct city lobbyists to oppose HB 741 and SB 1024 during the current legislative session. The adoption of these bills would harm the advancement of consumer solar energy production and usage within the State of Florida. Motion made by Mike Gibaldi, seconded by Margarita Kruff.

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b. Old Business

- i. **Climate Action Plan Update** – Ms. Pineda presented the item. She provided an update on the workshop that was held on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. She stated that the questionnaire is open until February 11, 2022, for the public to provide feedback on the proposed actions. www.mbrisingabove.com/CAP

3. Public Comment and Announcements

Ms. Kruffyff asked for update on beverage contract. Ms. Pineda explained that there is a month-to-month contract while the new contracts are finalized. She stated that there have been numerous discussions and new proposals are being submitted.

Ms. Pineda announced that Miami-Dade County will launch their PlasticFree305 program, modeled after the PlasticFreeMB program.

4. Next Meeting

- a. February 24, 2022